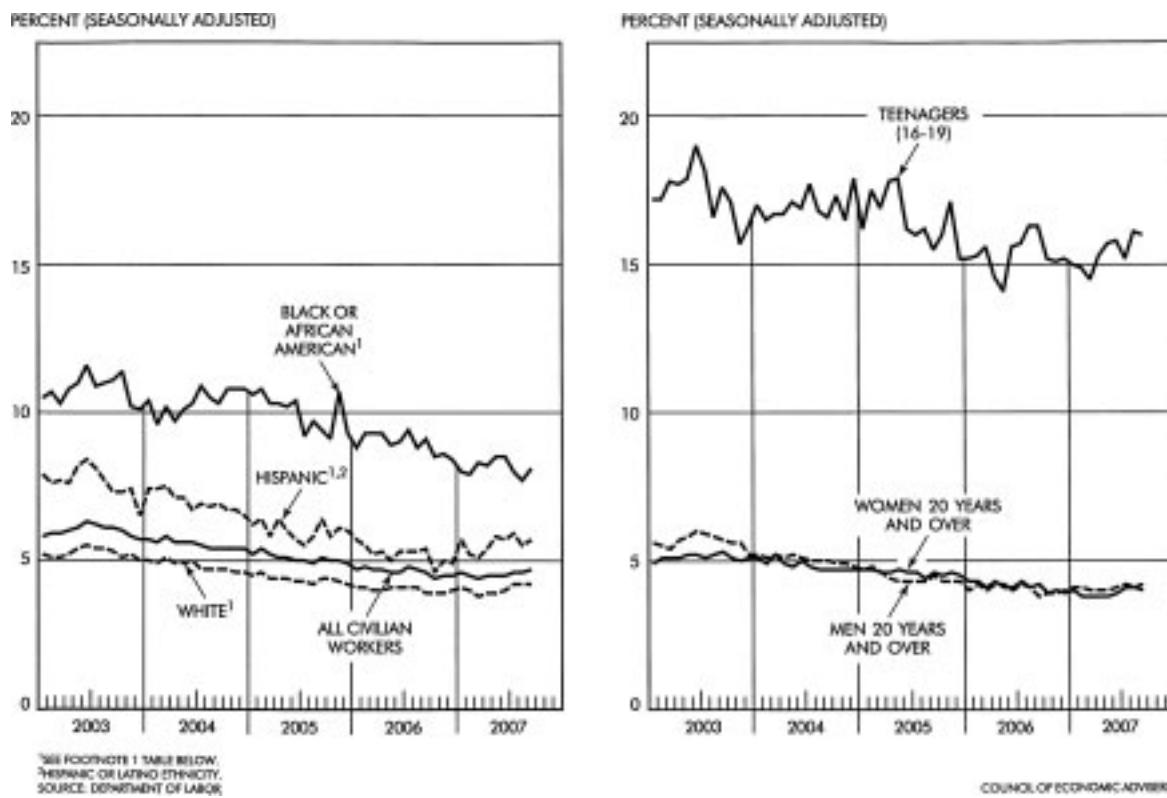


SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

In September, the unemployment rate rose to 4.7 percent from 4.6 percent in August.



[Monthly data seasonally adjusted]

Period	All civilian workers	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force in group)										
		By sex and age			By race or ethnicity ¹				By selected groups			
		Men 20 years and over	Women 20 years and over	Both sexes 16-19 years	White	Black or African American (NSA)	Asian (NSA)	Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Married men, spouse present	Women who maintain families (NSA)	Full-time workers	Part-time workers
1997	4.9	4.2	4.4	16.0	4.2	10.0	.....	7.7	2.7	8.1	4.8	5.5
1998	4.5	3.7	4.1	14.6	3.9	8.9	.....	7.2	2.4	7.2	4.3	5.3
1999	4.2	3.5	3.8	13.9	3.7	8.0	.....	6.4	2.2	6.4	4.1	5.0
2000	4.0	3.3	3.6	13.1	3.5	7.6	3.6	5.7	2.0	5.9	3.8	4.8
2001	4.7	4.2	4.1	14.7	4.2	8.6	4.5	6.6	2.7	6.6	4.7	5.1
2002	5.8	5.3	5.1	16.5	5.1	10.2	5.9	7.5	3.6	8.0	5.9	5.2
2003	6.0	5.6	5.1	17.5	5.2	10.8	6.0	7.7	3.8	8.5	6.1	5.5
2004	5.5	5.0	4.9	17.0	4.8	10.4	4.4	7.0	3.1	8.0	5.6	5.3
2005	5.1	4.4	4.6	16.6	4.4	10.0	4.0	6.0	2.8	7.8	5.0	5.4
2006	4.6	4.0	4.1	15.4	4.0	8.9	3.0	5.2	2.4	7.1	4.5	5.1
2006: Sept	4.6	3.8	4.2	16.3	3.9	9.1	2.8	5.4	2.3	6.8	4.5	5.1
Oct	4.4	3.9	3.9	15.2	3.9	8.5	2.7	4.6	2.3	6.5	4.3	5.1
Nov	4.5	3.9	4.0	15.1	3.9	8.6	3.2	5.0	2.3	6.9	4.4	5.0
Dec	4.5	4.0	3.9	15.2	4.0	8.4	2.4	4.9	2.5	6.2	4.4	4.8
2007: Jan	4.6	4.1	4.0	15.0	4.1	8.0	3.2	5.7	2.5	6.6	4.5	5.0
Feb	4.5	4.1	3.8	14.9	4.0	7.9	2.7	5.2	2.7	6.5	4.4	4.9
Mar	4.4	4.0	3.8	14.5	3.8	8.3	3.0	5.1	2.5	6.7	4.4	4.5
Apr	4.5	4.0	3.8	15.3	3.9	8.2	3.3	5.4	2.5	6.2	4.4	5.0
May	4.5	4.0	3.8	15.7	3.9	8.5	2.9	5.8	2.6	6.3	4.4	4.9
June	4.5	4.1	3.9	15.8	4.0	8.5	3.1	5.7	2.4	6.8	4.5	4.6
July	4.6	4.2	4.1	15.2	4.2	8.0	3.0	5.9	2.7	6.8	4.6	5.0
Aug	4.6	4.1	4.1	16.1	4.2	7.7	3.4	5.5	2.4	6.2	4.6	4.9
Sept	4.7	4.2	4.0	16.0	4.2	8.1	3.2	5.7	2.4	6.4	4.7	4.7

¹ Beginning in 2003, persons who selected this race group only. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

NOTE.—Data relate to persons age 16 years and over.

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.